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| Status | | |
| 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on | _: | |
| 2a) This action is FINAL . 2b) This action is non-final. | | |
| 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is | | |
| closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. | | |
| Disposition of Claims | | |
| 4) Claim(s) <u>1-33</u> is/are pending in the application. | | |
| 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration. | | |
| 5) Claim(s) is/are allowed. | | |
| 6) Claim(s) is/are rejected. | | |
| 7) Claim(s) is/are objected to. | | |
| 8) Claim(s) 1-33 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement. | | |
| Application Papers | | |
| 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner. | | |
| 10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner. | | |
| Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a). | | |
| Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d). | | |
| 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152. | | |
| Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 | · | |
| 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents 2. Certified copies of the priority documents 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priori | have been received. have been received in Application ity documents have been receive | on No |
| application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received. | | |
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| 1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) Interview Summary (| |
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Election/Restrictions

1. Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 and 372.

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.499, applicant is required, in reply to this action, to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted.

Group I, claim(s) 1-23, 26, drawn to the compounds of formula 1 and <u>one</u> method of using the compounds selected from claims 27-33.

2. Group II, claim(s) 1-13, 24, 25 and 33, drawn to the compounds other than the compounds of formula I, their process of making.

Group III, claim(s) 27-33, drawn to the methods of using the compounds not included in group I.

The inventions listed as Groups I-III do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, there is no generic concept for the compounds in claims 1-3 and compounds of formula I lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons: there is prior art for the compounds. This means that a technical feature which already forms part of the state of the art cannot, by definition, make a contribution over the prior art and does not, therefore, qualify as an unifying element in the sense of Rule 13.1 PCT.

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

Tentative election of a single species with the elected group is further required.

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Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected 1.

invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one

or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim

remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by

a petition under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(l).

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Hong

Liu whose telephone number is (571) 272-0669. The examiner can normally be reached

on Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by the phone are unsuccessful, the examiner's

supervisors, Mukund Shah can be reached at (571) 272-0674. The fax phone number

for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or

proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 358-

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Supervisory Patent Examiner

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